

Ellwood Community Primary School - Core Subject Overview

Year 4 - Autumn Term 1

English



This term in English, Year 4 will be using the text 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' to inspire the composition of their own creative writing.

Spellings

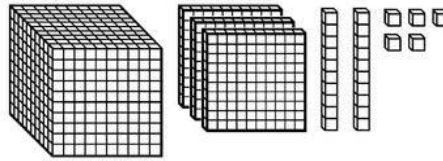
Along with continuing to learn all of the Year 3 and 4 statutory spelling words, Year 4 will focus on the following during their spelling sessions and independent writing this term:

- Words with /aw/ spelt with augh and au
- Adding the prefix in- (meaning 'not' or 'into')
- Adding the prefix im- (before a root word starting with 'm' or 'p')
- Adding the prefix il- (before a root word starting with 'l') and the prefix ir- (before a root word starting with 'r')
- Homophones & near homophones
- Words with /shun/ endings spelt with 'sion' (if root word ends in 'se', 'de' or 'd').

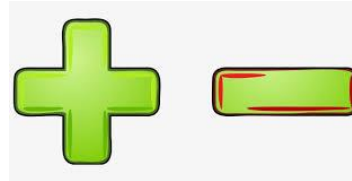
Grammar

- Expanding noun phrases.
- Use of nouns/pronouns to aid cohesion.
- Direct speech punctuation.
- Use of apostrophes for singular and plural possession.
- Writing fronted adverbials including correct punctuation.

Maths



This term we will be learning about Place Value. The children will explore representing, partitioning, ordering and rounding numbers up to 10,000.



Our next focus will be upon Addition and Subtraction of up to 4-digit numbers, including exchanging. We will learn efficient strategies to solve, estimate and check answers.



Alongside our Maths lessons, we will be focusing on learning and becoming fluent in our times tables. Initially we will focus on our 3, 4, 6 and 8 multiplication facts, before moving onto other times tables.

Science

This term Year 4 will be learning about 'States of Matter'. The children will learn and explore about the differences between solids, liquids and gases; classifying objects and identifying their properties.

The children will work scientifically and collaboratively to plan and carry out investigations. They will explore in-depth how water changes state, exploring melting, freezing, condensing as well as a particular focus on evaporation. Finally, they will learn about the stages of the water cycle and what happens at each part.

